

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 846

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Walmart Distribution Center and Transportation Office in Midway upon the celebration of its fifteenth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize and commend those exemplary businesses that, through an abiding commitment to excellence, have contributed greatly to this State for many years; and

WHEREAS, the Walmart Distribution Center and Transportation Office in Midway is one such outstanding institution, which is celebrating fifteen years of dedicated service to the good people of Greene County; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2012, the Center will host a celebration at its facilities in commemoration of this momentous occasion; and

WHEREAS, since opening its doors in 1997, the Center has stood at the front lines of the world's largest retailer's supply chain, offering unrivaled synchronization and leading-edge logistics technology in order to pass on the savings to their customers and communities; and

WHEREAS, as an integral part of one of the largest private distribution networks in the world, its warehouse associates have compiled an impressive 8.8 million hours of labor, seen over 505,000 trailers dropped, received over 794 million cases, and shipped over 693 million cases on more than 679,000 trailers; and

WHEREAS, exhibiting a tireless work ethic and unparalleled devotion to duty, these diligent associates have reached many milestones, including the "Quest for Excellence DC" after only three years in operation. The Center has earned the prestigious titles, "DC of the Year," for six straight years, and, more recently, "Safety DC of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, wholly committed to safely transporting their cargo throughout the land, the Center's drivers have logged over 260 million miles, setting an injury free record of 37 million miles and garnering a plethora of honors and accolades in the process; the Center has received the Transportation Safety Office of the Year Award once, the Transportation Office of the Year Award three times, and the TTA Safest Fleet in Tennessee Award from the Tennessee Trucking Association thirteen times; and

WHEREAS, standing as a model corporate citizen, the Center has generously donated over \$5 million to local charities, including the Children's Miracle Network, Feed America food banks, area schools, and numerous other non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, throughout its many years of distinguished service, the Center has evidenced the highest levels of dedication and commitment to its customers, employees, and the communities it serves; and

WHEREAS, the Walmart Distribution Center and Transportation Office in Midway has operated with acumen and integrity for fifteen years, and the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud this outstanding business for its ongoing commitment to excellence; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate the Walmart Distribution Center and Transportation Office in Midway on the celebration of its fifteenth anniversary, applaud its ongoing legacy of integrity and commitment to excellence, and wish it much continued success in its future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.